

NIST Automatic Content Extraction (ACE06)

November/December 2006 Evaluation

Registration Agreement Form

To participate in the NIST 2006 Automatic Content Extraction Evaluation (ACE06) this registration form must be filled out in its entirety and returned to NIST by the registration deadline of **October 31st, 2006**.

FAX: Atten: Mark Przybocki
+1 (301) 670-0939

or

Postal Mail: Mark Przybocki - NIST
100 Bureau Dr. Mail Stop 8940
Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8940 USA

The following are **terms of participation** in the ACE06 Evaluation:

- On receiving the evaluation data the registered site will process the entire test set for each evaluation task checked below, in accordance with the ACE06 Evaluation Plan (<http://www.nist.gov/speech/ace/ace06/doc>), and return the system output files to NIST within **24 hours after receiving the data**.
 - The Arabic evaluation test set will be distributed on November 6th, 2006.
 - The Chinese evaluation test set will be distributed on November 7th, 2006.
 - The English evaluation test set will be distributed on November 8th, 2006.
 - The Spanish evaluation test set will be distributed on November 9th, 2006.
- Each site will be required to write a system description paper describing the system(s) evaluated. These papers will be due at NIST **November 30th, 2006**, and will be made available to all participants.
- The registered site understands that they are required to be represented at the follow-up Evaluation Workshop to be held in the Baltimore/Washington DC area during **December 14-15th, 2006**. Representative must be prepared to openly discuss all aspects of the system(s) evaluated.
- The registered site understands that the evaluation data is protected and cannot be redistributed.
- The registered site understands that following the evaluation workshop NIST will post on the web a summary report identifying all ACE participants and the value scores achieved on the various tasks and conditions.
 - The registered site agrees to not publicly compare its results with the results of other participants, but they are free to reference the NIST summary report when publishing their own results.

NIST serves to coordinate the ACE evaluations. These tests are designed for local implementation by each participant. Only their results are returned to NIST for scoring. The reported results are not to be construed, or represented, as endorsement of any participant's system, or as official findings on the part of NIST or the U.S. Government.

Site Affiliation: _____

Evaluation Tasks (<i>check boxes of planned participation</i>)	Arabic	Chinese	English	Spanish
Entity Detection and Recognition (EDR)				
Time Expression Recognition and Normalization (TERN)				
Relation Detection and Recognition (RDR)				
Event Detection and Recognition (VDR)				
Value Detection and Recognition (VAL)				
Entity Mention Detection (EMD)				
Relation Mention Detection (RMD)				
Event Mention Detection (VMD)				
One or More of the diagnostic tasks				

Contact Information

Name: _____
Phone: _____

Email addresses to receive the evaluation data:

Signature: _____

Date: _____

(By signing and returning this form to NIST you are registering your site as a participant in the NIST ACE06 evaluation, and acknowledging that you have read and will abide by the protocols as described here and in the official evaluation plan.)